FUNERAL OF SENATOR

Exercises Will Be Held in the Capitol at Washington This Afternoon,

PRESIDENT WILL ATTEND

But Will Not Accompany the Body on the Mournful Journey to Cleveland.

INTERMENT ON FRIDAY

Citizens of the Forest City to Be Given an Opportunity to View the Remains.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 .- Not since the tucky, were held in the Senate chamber has that room been used as the death one of its members. Other senhave died since, but Congress was not in session, and although memorial services have been held, there has been no such The Beck case has been taken as a prearrangements made for the Hanna funeral exercises to-morrow. President Roosevelt and his entire Cabinet will be in attendance as well as the diplomatic corps and the members of the Senate and House, President Roosevelt has decided that he cannot accompany the body to Cleveland for the last sad rites there, but he will be represented by several members of his Cabinet. including Secretaries Taft, Cortelyou and Wilson.

There is much bad feeling over the selections made by President Pro Tem. Frye of the committee to represent the Senate at the exercises in Cleveland. Neither of the three great Republican States-New York, Pennsylvania and Illinois-are represented in the committee. Indiana is represented by both Senators Fairbanks and Beveridge, an unusual distinction, which was the subject of much comment to-

Indiana has four members on the committee of Congress which will attend the funeral of Senator Hanna in Cleveland on Friday. As stated Senators Fairbanks and Beveridge were designated as members of the Senate committee, while Messrs. Hemenway and Watson will represent the House, Owing to pressure of business in the committee on appropriations Mr. Hemenway will be unable to leave Washington. Mr. Watson will accompany the congressional

MR. RANSDELL'S ORDERS.

All the arrangements of the state funeral, row, are in charge of Col. D. M. Ransdell, sergeant-at-arms of the Senate. Following are the official orders adopted by the committee and ordered by Colonel Ransdell: "The Senate will meet at 12 o'clock noon, Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1904.

"The body of the late Senator Marcus A. Hanna will be placed in the Senate chamber prior in the assembling of the Senate.

"The President of the United States and has Cabinet, the chief justice and associate of representatives, the diplomatic corps, the admiral of the navy and the lieutenant general of the army have been invited to attend the services in the chamber, and will occupy the seats on the floor of the Senate assigned them by the seargeant-at-arms, "The President and his Cabinet will meet in the President's room.

"The Supreme Court will meet in the Su preme Court room. 'The House of Representatives will enter the chamber in a body "The diplomatic corps, the admiral of the navy and the lieutenant general of the army

will meet in the Senate reception room. "The committee on arrangements will meet in the marble room. "The Vice President's room will be re-

served for the members of the family of the late senator, and the officiating clergy, whence they will be escorted to seats on the Senate floor. 'Seats will be reserved for those entitled to them upon the floor, to which they will be shown by the attaches of the Senate.

"Upon the announcement of the president | both at home and abroad. We commend pro tem, of the Senate the clergy will con- his course in adopting the policies of wisduct the funeral ceremonies. "All the Senate galleries will be reserved | President, William McKinley, and in retainfor this occasion, admission being by spe cial cards only.

FEATURES ARE LIFE-LIKE. The body of the dead senator lies prepared for burial. Thus far only a few taxes; in the wise and useful development | decision of the lower court, it would mean, death chamber to view the body. In ap- lands; in the improved postal service of the cost of that improvement. The point pearance the features of the dead states. | the Nation as shown in the vast extension | involved is one of the most important of emaciation and, on account of the oxygen | cials in the postal department; in the foster- | terests. used during the last days of the senator's ing of commercial and labor interests by

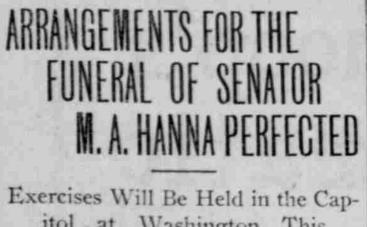
pallor often peculiar to the dead. An atmosphere of profound sorrow pervaded the hotel throughout the day. Men the distinguished dead was on every lip. Persons moving about the house, even in parts removed from the death chamber, stepped so lightly as to make only the slightest noise. Business proceeded as usual, but it was conducted without confusion and without clamor. All felt the

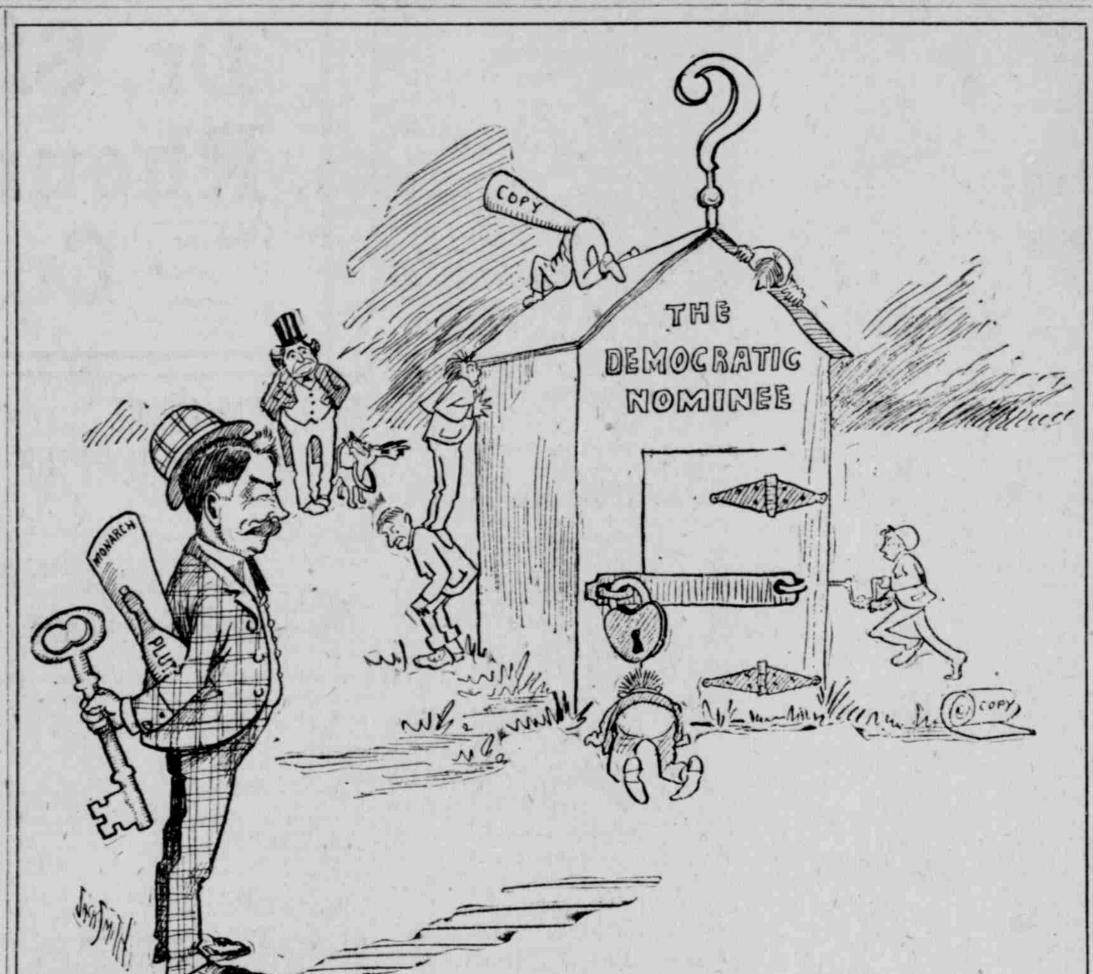
presence of death. At a council of the members of the Hanna family and some intimate friends of the senator held to-day arrangements were made for the funeral. Beside the senator's son, Daniel R. Hanna, and his brother, H. Hanna, there were present Governor Herrick and Gen. Charles Dick, of Ohio, and Elmer Dover, the senator's secretary, During the conference H. M. Hanna visited President Roosevelt. He was accompanied Postmaster General Payne. reached the White House just as the Cabinet was assembling for its regular meeting. After a conference with the President and Cabinet, Mr. Hanna announced that the President would not attend the funeral services in Cleveland much as he would like to pay that last tribute to his dead friend, but that he would attend the state funeral to be held to-morrow at noon in the chamber of the United States Senate It was agreed by all that it would be inadland. Secretaries Taft, Cortelyou and Wilson, however, will go to Cleveland to attend the services there. Postmaster Gen- were locked up as witnesses. The trouble sician has advised him not to make the trip. That advice he has concluded to fol-

SIMPLE FUNERAL CORTEGE. The remains of Senator Hanna will be conveyed from the hotel to the Capitol at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning. The cortege will be simple, and there will be no demonstration or display. Preceding the hearse and the carriages containing the members of the family and invited friends will be a detail of mounted police. The casket bearers will be officers detailed from the Capitol police force. After the funeral services the body will be conveyed at 5 o'clock to the Pennsylvania Station. At 6 o'clock a special train bearing the body and the members of the family and their invited guests will leave for Cleve-

land. The running time of the train will be

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Mr. Taggart Says He Knows but He Won't Tell.

THE TWELFTH DISTRICT

Fairbanks Urging the Convention to Instruct.

DELEGATES FOR H. S. NEW CHICAGO MAN LITIGANT NEARLY LANDED VICTIM

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FORT WAYNE, Ind., Feb. 16.-The Twelfth district Republican convention at Leighty, of Auburn, was named as elector.

The resolutions paid tribute to Senator Hanna and instructed the delegates to vote for H. S. New for re-election as member of the national committee. W. L. Penfield was indorsed for Governor, being a resident in the district. Senators Fairbanks and Beveridge, the Republican members justices of the Supreme Court, the House of Congress and the state administration were indorsed and special emphasis was given the indorsement of Beveridge for re-election. The only resolution which en-Judge Penfield's candidacy. This came from Steuben and Whitley counties, where there is a strong Taylor sentiment. The friends of the resolution, however, con-

vinced the objectors that indorsement was due the resident candidate. District Chairman Leonard read a telethe convention to order, declaring it fitting and timely to instruct "for our able, faithful and patriotic President." Roosevelt tions would be gratifying to him (Fair-

banks.) This cleared the way for instruc-

The resolution to instruct for Roosevelt was framed as follows: "We desire all men to know that the majority of the people of this district indorse balance of the unpaid assessment on propthe administration of President Roosevelt erty lying back of the property sold withand approve his conduct of public affairs, ing the wise, honest and forceful advisers selected by him. We approve the administration of affairs in the new island possessions; in the splendid triumphs of diplomacy with the aid of Secretary of State Hay; the room at the Arlington in the successful litigation enforcing the laws against trusts; in the maintenance of and there are a good many interesting legal the public credit and the steady reduction points involved. of the public debt even under reduced cessful prosecution of the isthmian canal within 150 feet of an improvement, on of the rural mail free delivery, and in the the many brought up by the enforcement in the recognition of the claims of the val-iant veterans of the Nation's wars. In all Charlton Bull and B. C. Moon, of Kokomo. Grain & Securities Company, were in court. chase. these splendid features we find ample ground on which to appeal to the people for a continuance of Republican admin tration, and sincerely believe we voice the convictions of the great body of American MR. TAGGART ENTERS tration, and sincerely believe we voice the citizenship. From these declarations we are logically led to declare our firm belief that the Chicago convention should nominate Theodore Roosevelt to be the candidate of the Republican party for President and we instruct our delegates to vote for the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt.

VALENTINE THE CAUSE OF MURDER IN ST. LOUIS

Boarding House Quarrel in Which TWO PLANTS PROJECTED CAUSES MILD SURPRISE NAVY TO ACT AT ONCE Mrs. Howard Says She Shot Carley to Death.

quarrel which started over a valentine visable for the President to go to Cleve- the shooting, William Ewing and Maud eral Payne desires also to go, but his phy- occurred in a boarding house conducted by Mrs. Howard. She asserts that she fired the shot which killed Carley to prevent him killing Ewing during the general scrim-

DEWEY MURDER TRIAL.

Strong Evidence Given Against

One of Dewey's Accomplices. NORTON, Kan., Feb. 16 .- The cross-examination of Mrs. Viola Berry was continued to-day in the trial of Chauncey Dewey, William J. McBride and Clyde Wilson for the

murder of Burchard Berry. James B. Breyhlll testified that in January, 1903, William McBride had said, after leaving a store in which he had met Beach and Burchard Berry: comparatively slow. The train will leave "There are a couple of men I'm going to kill as soon as I get a chance."

LAND VALUES INVOLVED IN SUPREME COURT SUIT

Will Be Interpreted Through Appeal from Kokomo.

A case involving the construction of a section of the Barrett law, upon the de-Kendallville this afternoon elected Isaac and even the title to thousands of dollars' York financial district, Larry Summerfield, Strauss, of Ligonier, and John W. Oren- worth of property in Indiana, will be heard an alleged confidence operator and now dorf, of Churubusco, delegates to the Chi- before the Supreme Court at 10 o'clock under heavy ball pending trial on a charge cago convention and instructed them to this morning. So important is the case of grand larceny, was arrested in Wall vote for Roosevelt. E. C. Rurode, of Fort | considered that the court will hear oral | street to-day, just in time, it is claimed, Wayne, and Norman T. Jackman, of argument on it, a thing that is very rarely to prevent the consummation of an attempt Waterloo, were elected alternates. J. D. done in civil suits. The case is appealed to swindle William D. Luther, an insurance from the Howard Superior Court.

was never assessed and does not abut upon | line" and asked Luther what dealings he the improvement, though it lies within 150 | had had with Summerfield.

which they were issued. The city is not liable. If an assessment is not paid the bondholder must lose unless he forecloses gram from Senator Fairbanks on calling the tien on property which the unpaid assessment gives him by the Barrett law. This was the case at Kokomo, with one being the only candidate, he said instruc- exception-that Mr. Vorhis foreclosed his lien against abutting property. He found that this property did not bring enough to satisfy the lien. He therefore sued the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company for the

in 150 feet of the paved street. The case was decided in favor of the dedom laid down by our lamented martyr fendant by the lower court, and Mr. Vorls

Mr. Masslich reached Indianapolis last night, and was seen at the Claypool. In close question, there is no doubt of that,

If the Supreme Court should reverse the of our agricultural resources; in the suc- in effect, that any one owning property and of the policy of the irrigation of arid side street, could be assessed for a part of elimination and punishment of corrupt offi- of the Barrett law, and involves vast in-

Willits & Voorhis and Clay Buntain, of lifting these interests to the dignity of cab- Kokomo, are counsel assisting Mr. Mass-

THE HAIRPIN BUSINESS

President of a Company Organized at Danville, Ill.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. DANVILLE, Ill., Feb. 16.-Thomas Tagcompany, which announces that it will build factories at Joliet and Danville The inventor claims he has refused \$60,000 for the patent rights for Great Britain. He

CALIFORNIANS MADE HAPPY BY GOOD RAINS

will visit Canada and Europe soon to ne-

gotiate with large manufacturers. Dr. H. W. Morehouse, surgeon of the Wabash, is

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 16 .- During the ast two days rain has fallen copiously over southern California, relieving the ap prehensions of farmers and fruit growers that their crops this season would not prove profitable. The storm has extended as far south as San Diego, where it is still raining. with prospects of continuance. About two inches of rain fell in Los Angeles. The downpour was heavy from Point Concep-

BIG SWINDLE CLEVERLY NIPPED BY THE POLICE

Message Received from Senator Barret Law, in Peculiar Litigation, Larry Summerfield, a Notorious Confidence Man, Found Below the Famous "Dead Line."

NEW YORK, Feb. 16 .- Found below the famous "dead line" drawn years ago by cision of which will depend the value of | Police Inspector Byrnes around the New agent of Dallas, Tex., by the sale of fraud-Chester B. Masslich, representing the ap- ulent mining stock. Summerfield and pellant, William H. Voris, of Chicago, is Luther were leaving a brokerage office when attempting to enforce a street improvement | a police detective, who had seen them enter, lien upon property of the Pittsburg Plate | accosted Summerfield by name and asked Glass Company and others in Kokomo that him what he was doing below the "dead

Luther told of answering a newspaper William H. Voris, the appellant, is the advertisement telling of how an investment owner of bonds of the city of Kokomo for of \$4,000 could be doubled in a very short countered opposition was that concerning the paving of Vaile avenue. Courts have time and of receiving a reply signed "H. held such bonds to be payable only from B. Morton." Luther was in Boston at the assessments for the improvements for time and he arranged to meet "Morton" at a hotel there.

"Morton," said Luther, "said he had stock in a Cripple Creek mining company, rated at \$170 to sell at a bargain, and referred me to A. A. Haydon, treasurer of the Consolidated Exchange, Philadelphia, by whom I was informed the stock was

By arrangement Luther came to New York to-day to meet "Morton" in close the deal when "Morton" was arrested. A charge of attempt to swindle was made on which Summerfield was arraigned and held for examination to-morrow.

SENATOR BURTON TO BE TRIED ON MARCH 22

Judge Adams, at St. Louis, Overrules the Senator's Demurrer to the Indictment.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 16 .- Judge Adams in the United States District Court to-day overruled the demurrer of United States Senator Joseph R. Burton, of Kansas, to the indictment charging him with accepting money for using his influence in preventing the issuance of a fraud order against the Rialto Grain & Securities Company. The trial of the senator was set for March 22. A panel of sixty jurors has been orinet rank; in the unremitting interest shown lich. Attorneys for the appellees are Bell dered for that date. Both Senator Burton

EVANSVILLE MAN SUED ON BREACH OF PROMISE

The Ex-Mayor Is Elected Vice Chicago Concert Singer Wants Two Refugees Taken Therefrom pose of guarding the Balkan frontier be-\$20,000 for Wounded Affections from Vanderburg Recorder.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. CHICAGO, Feb. 16.-Miss Mamie Mendenwald, a concert and stage singer, has be- breach of international law which, added president of the Hump Hairpin Company gun suit for \$20,000 damage for breach of to those preceding, are making up a fororganized here to-day, with a capital stock promise against Theodore Kevekordes, a midable case that may justify the United of \$300,000, to make a hairpin patented by Sol | wealthy widower and the county record- | States government in intervening to restore bullet wound, Mrs. Minnie Howard, his H. Goldberg, of Danville, Henry D. Laugh- er at Evansville, Ind. She says that he not lin, S. E. Allerton, C. A. Wager and other only promised to marry her, but also that tracted island. To-day Minister Powell re-Chicago financiers are interested in the he introduced her to his friends as his ported to the State Department that he

> at Chicago of a \$20,000 breach-of-promise dated Feb. 9 to this effect suit against Theodore Kevekordes, recorder of Vanderburg county, by an actress, created a mild sensation here. The defendant is a young widower, an automobilist and horse enthusiast. He was to have married a young woman of Newburg recently, but for some reason the match was said to have been broken. Kevekordes has not been in

OCTOGENARIAN SINGER WILL PRACTICE LAW

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 16 .- Jules Lombard. eighty years old, of Omaha, was to-day admitted to practice law. He was a famous cion north and in the great California val- singer years ago and sang during Lincoln's shot and instantly killed to-night in a campaign and at his funeral.



Inauguration Feb. 20.

designados, or Vice President

dor by Unanimous Consent-

POWERFUL CAR FERRY BREAKS THROUGH ICE Thibet.

Succeeds in Forcing Way Through After Dynamite Failed to Dislodge Ice Field.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 16.-After making a vain attempt to break up the ice field in Manitowoc with dynamite, car ferry Pere Marquette 17, which had been run up from this city to-day, succeeded in breaking out by main force its sister car ferries Pere Marquette 15 and 18, which had been frozen in the ice off that port since last Wednesday. Car ferry Pere Marquette 16 is at Ludington harbor waiting for a consort before trying to make a trip to Milwaukee, and car ferry Pere Maquette 20 is at this port assisting in the release of the stranded 19. This gives the Pere Marquette Steamship Company a fleet of car ferries for its service again, after practically the entire six had been put out of active work by last week's ice blockade. The No. 19, which has been on a reef at Fox Point, ten miles north of Milwaukee, is expected to be released to-morrow.

FOUND HER LOVER A CONVICTED FORGER

Miss Hattie Peffel's Experience in Arranging Marriage Through Advertisement.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Feb. 16.-Miss Hattie Peffel to-night left this city to return to her home in Chicago. She came here a few days ago to marry James C. Rankin, with whom she had become engaged by correspondence after answering his advertisement for a wife in a matrimonial paper. He represented to her that he was an employe of the government. After they became engaged she says that she sent money to him at his request. When she reached Binghamton she found that Rankin was in jail for forgery, to which charge he pleaded guilty in court to-day. He has been in jail since last fall and was in confinement when he inserted his matrimonial advertisement.

STAGE HELD UP AND ROBBED BY MASKED MEN

Mail Bag Rifled, and It Is Believed Robbers Made Good Haul-Posse in Pursuit.

LAKE CITY, Col., Feb. 16,-The stage which runs between Lake City and Sapari- with grief. no has been held up by masked men and the registered mail bag rifled. As this is pay day at the mines in this vicinity, it is believed considerable money was secured by the robbers, who made good their escape. A sheriff's posse has gone in pursuit of the "hold-ups." Several United States marshals from Denver are on their way to the scene of the robbery and will join in the

AMERICAN CONSULATE IS RAIDED BY DOMINICANS

by Rebels at Samana-Armed Force Was Used.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 .- The rebels in

Santo Domingo have committed another had received belated advices from Jean Vil-EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 16 .- The filing | lain, the vice consular agent at Samana,

"Insurgents entered our consulate at Samana with armed force and took two ref-

The State Department promptly communicated this information to the Navy Department with a request that proper action be taken by the naval authorities to protect the United States consulate. This was promptly transmitted to Admiral Wise and it is the belief that he will not only protect the consulate, but will demand the punishment of the perpetrators of this outrage, and if the provisional government is not able to do this he will employ the United States naval force to chastise the in-

"Shorty Bill" Killed by Police. TORONTO, Ontario, Feb. 16 .- A man known as "Shorty Bill," said to have been a desperate character, from Texas, was

fight with the police.

Honor Falls to Dr. Manuel Ama- Russian Commander Ordered to the Indian Frontier to View the Situation.

THREE VICE PRESIDENTS ACTION IS SIGNIFICANT

PANAMA, Feb. 16.-Dr. Manuel Amador | ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 16.-Lieutenant was unanimously elected first President of General Ivanoff, governor general and sians have arrived at Ping-Yang, on the first republic of Panama to-day. Dr. commander of the troops in Turkestan, has Pablo Arosemena, Domingo Obaldia and Dr. | gone to Tashkend with General Sakharoff Carlos Mendoza were elected to fill, respect- chief of staff of the military district o ively, the positions of first, second and third | Turkestan. It is said in high military cir cles that General Ivanoff has been instruct-Great preparations are being made for the inauguration of the President, which will take place on Feb. 20. event of Great Britain adopting an attitude openly hostile to Russia, or attempting to prejudice Russian interests in Persia o

Public opinion in Russia, even among military men, is strongly opposed to Vice roy Alexieff, who is accused of incapacity A movement is on foot in favor of imme diate appointment of General Kuropatkin, the war minister, to command the Russian land forces and to give Admiral Skrydloff command on the sea.

A meeting of the Council of the Empire was held to-day. It was attended by the heir presumptive, the Grand Duke Michael, and other grand dukes. Vice Admiral Makaroff, the ice breaker specialist of the Russian navy, and until lately commander-in-chief at Cronstadt has gone to the far East.

ANCIENT CHARIOT BOUGHT BY AMERICAN

Its Sale a Matter of Inquiry in Italian Chamber-Loss to Archaeology.

merly director general of fine arts, interrogated the government in the Chamber today concerning the alleged surreptitious exportation to the United States of a Greek archaic chariot, which was discovered i the department of Umbria. He said thi chariot was most valuable, that it dates from six or seven centuries before Christ and that it had carved upon it pictures of events of great historical interest. The loss to Italian archaeology was incalculable. The chariot had been bought for \$50, 000 by a wealthy American manufacturer, who had presented it to a museum in New

Signor Pinchia, under secretary of public instruction, said in reply that the in-spector whose negligence had permitted the sale to be made had been dismissed and that strong measures have been adopted to prevent a repetition of the occurrence

SMALL BOY KILLED

Three-Year-Old Playfully Asked Older Boy to Shoot Him, and Result Was Fatal.

FT. DODGE, Ia., Feb. 16 .- "Marshal, shoot me," said three-year-old Leo Hollis. "No; I won't," replied his four-year-old The second request by the younger brother was complied with and the ball lodged at the base of the skull. Death was instantaneous. H. E. Hollis, the father, left his revolver between the mattresses of his bed and the older boy secured it. The younger child saw him get it and playfully asked him to shoot. The mother is almost crazed

BALKAN SITUATION CAUSES UNEASINESS

Austria to Mobilize Army on Frontier-Believes Sultan Is Trying to Provoke War.

VIENNA, Feb. 16 .- The situation in the Balkans is creating great uneasiness here. The official denial of the rumors of the mobilization of Austrian troops has failed o reassure the public, and it is still asserted that the government intends to mobilize two army corps provisionally for the pur-

JUMPED INTO OCEAN AND ENDED HIS LIFE

Louis E. Sears, of New York, While Suffering from Illness, Sprang Overboard.

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 16.-Suffering from a recent attack of illness and en route home, Louis E. Sears, of the Sears Shoe Company, of New York city, committed suicide to-day by jumping from the steamship Martinique, twenty-five miles off the Florida coast. The Martinique was stopped as soon as possible, but no traces of Sears's body could be discovered.

NEWS OF HANNA'S DEATH KILLS TRAVELING MAI

Charles Ryder Fell in Swoon and perished. Dies After Being Removed to Hospital.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Feb. 16.—Charles Ryder, sixty years old, of Aurora, Ill. traveling agent for a chemical manufacturing company, upon learning, in response to his inquiry as to Senator Hanna's condition, that Mr. Hanna was dead, fell in a swoon in front of the postoffice building. He died after being removed to the hospital, 'that General Kerpatska will command the

120,000 JAPANESE ARE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN LANDED ON KOREAN SOIL

80,000 Extended Along the Fighting Front South of the Yalu River.

RUSSIANS AT PING-YANG

400 Torpedoes Lost to Russia When the Cruiser Variag Sank at Chemulpo.

MANY DISABLED SHIPS

Eleven Russian Vessels Said to Have Been Put Out of Action at Port Arthur.

LONDON, Feb. 17 .- The correspondent at Chemulpo of the Daily Express makes the astonishing statement that Japan has already landed 120,000 troops in Korea, 80,000 of whom are extended along the fighting front south of the Yalu river.

The Tokio correspondent of the daily Chronicle cables that it is stated officially that several thousand Russian troops have reached Antung and that it is rumored that 20,000 Rusthe Tatong river, in central Korea. The Chronicle, however, regards this rumor as improbable unless the invasion of Korea preceded the outbreak

PARIS, Feb. 17 .- According to a dispatch to the Paris edition of the New York Herald, 400 torpedoes, being two-thirds of Russia's entire available supply of these articles, were destroyed on board the Russian eruiser Variag at Chemulpo.

of hostilities.

LONDON, Feb. 17.-In a dispatch dated Port Arthur, Feb. 13, a correspondent of the Times gives a description of seven Russian warships which, be says, are lying disabled there. They include the battleships Sevastopol and Petrolovosk, which have not been named in previous reports of the action. The correspondent says altogether eleven Russian ships were put out of action at Port Arthur. Continuing, he declares that the Japanese were driven from the neighborhood of Kinchau, near Nieu-Chwang, after a skirmish in which ROME, Feb. 16.-Deputy Barnabei, for- 150 Japanese were taken prisoners

> and seventy Russians killed. In an editorial article the Times remarks that, as this correspondent does not mention the injuries sustained by the battleships and as the Kinchau story has not been reported from any other source, it would be well to accept his reports with some

> TOKIO, Feb. 16 .- A report has just reached here that the Japanese torpedo fleet re-ntincked the Russian fleet at Port Arthur Feb. 14 and it is thought that one Russian warship was damaged.

reserve.

BY ELDER BROTHER JAPANESE MAY TRY TO CAPTURE PORT ARTHUR

LONDON, Feb. 17 .- According to special dispatches published here this morning from Tokio, the Russian squadron has returned

The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Mail says in a dispatch that two Russian warships appeared off Oki island, in the south-

ern part of the Japanese sea, Sunday No war news of importance appears in the London newspapers this morning, but the press attaches the greatest significance to the departure of Viceroy Alexieff from Port Arthur, and comments upon the sudden throwing of Russian troops into Nieu-Chwang as indicating Russian apprehensions that Port Arthur is in danger, and that the Japanese attack may not, after all, be made where it is expected, on the Yalu, All the reports tend to confirm the impression that Russia has little or nothing to

expect from sea operations. The Seoul correspondent of the Daily Mail in the course of a descriptive narrative of the Chemulpo battle, says that before the fight the captain of the Russian cruiser Variag held a conference with the British, French and Italian captains aboard the British cruiser Talbot, in which he asked for the protection of a foreign warship in leaving the harbor. The request was refused. The British launch delivered a protest to the Japanese admiral immediately before the action. The Americans present refrained from attending the naval cause of fears that Turkey will provoke | conference or partaking in the demonstration, although some of the Russian wounded were received on board the United

States gunboat Vicksburg. While the Variag was being sunk her captain, fearing that the Japanese would reach the vessel before she settled down, requested the captain of the Talbot to fire at her water line. This request also was

COLD IS SAID TO HAVE SLAIN 600 RUSSIANS

BERLIN, Feb. 16.-The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Tagliche Rundschau says that six hundred Russian soldiers have been frozen to death while marching across Lake Balkal, eastern Siberia. The correspondent adds that the temporary railroad across the lake is not yet completed, that a large detachment of troops was sent on a twentytwo-mile march over the ice-covered lake and that it is presumed that part of these troops lost their way in a snowstorm and

VICEROY ALEXIEFF PROCEEDS TO HARBIN

NIEU-CHWANG, Feb. 16 .- Viceroy Alexien left Port Arthur to-day, proceeding to Harbin with General Pflug, the chief of

staff, and the general staff. It is said that the Russian army and navy commands will be reorganized and